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"All One Body We"

By CHARLES M. GUILBERT

The summer conferences at El Rancho del Obispo are an integral and supremely important part of the Christian Education program of the Diocese.

In the first place, a conference is a corporate experience in a sense that a parish finds it difficult to secure by reason of the competing attachments of the community. To be sure, a conference is an artificial group, isolated from family life, and largely composed of members of a single generation; but within its limitations it is a primitive Church in miniature, centered about the altar, and with all of its activities strictly related to what takes place there.

Secondly, it is uninterrupted. The problems of the Church School and the parish church are only partly accounted for by the brevity of time that people are exposed to their influence. To an even greater degree the impact is reduced by the week-long (or longer) gaps between exposures. Those gaps are filled, for the most part, by activities only slightly, if at all, related to what goes on in church. For six days, at a summer conference, people are sharing worship and learning and living experiences daily. Moreover, the total number of hours of actual class activity is roughly equivalent to a whole year's work in the average Church School or adult class.

And thirdly, the instruction which takes place at a summer conference is relevant to the experiences of the members of the group. More and more it is becoming apparent that real learning—the kind which actually molds character and attitudes—is that which takes place in group life and is meaningfully related to what is happening to the members of the group. Just because the conference grouping is an artificial one, in the sense described above, there is a large area of shared experiences; and in facing up to these experiences, the facts and resources of the Christian tradition become meaningful, and are more frequently than otherwise embraced and become the motivation for a deeper, fuller, Christian development.

Information about the diocesan summer conference schedule is available from the clergy of every parish and mission of the Diocese.



ONE WORLD

One Faith-One Lord

"Go Ye Into All the World"

New Executive Secretary Defines Task

Upon assuming his new post as Executive Secretary of the Church's newly-created national Division of Urban-Industrial Church Work, the Rev. G. Paul Musselman praised the work already being done in this field.

"The crisis in the city church has been a half-century in the making, but it is encouraging to see the number of clergy and laity who are deeply concerned and working toward a solution," he said. The Rev. Mr. Musselman sees his job first of all as a co-ordinating one, or, in his own words, as one of "cross-fertilization" of all the experiments taking place throughout the Episcopal Church in urban work.

The former rector of historic Mariners' Church in the waterfront district of Detroit claims that there is no reason why city churches must remain empty. "City churches must keep pace with changing populations, and their techniques for reaching people must be quickened to news-camera pace."

The Rev. Mr. Musselman went on to say that the Church in an industrial area should help to create harmony between labor and management. He, himself, has long been active in the field of labor-manage-

ment relations, most recently as an official arbitrator in the State of Michigan. When he left Michigan to take up his new position, Detroit's leading labor newspaper published an editorial in praise of his work.

The new Executive Secretary concluded by stating his belief that "Christian social relations, of which urban-industrial work forms an important part, is the new evangelism for the Episcopal Church, as people see that religion is relevant to their daily lives."

Church Plans China Policy

Forty missionaries, officers, and members of the National Council met at Seabury House, Greenwich, Conn., the first week-end in May to discuss the Church's future policy in China. Arranged by the Overseas Department of the National Council, the meeting made a careful and complete survey of our former relationship with China, believing that on the strength of what we have learned a definite policy for future action can be shaped.

The Rt. Rev. John B. Bentley, chairman of the Conference, says that the focus will be on a short as well as on a long range policy, pre-

paring the Church for the possibility of China's being closed for the coming generation.

Chaplain Receives Bravery Award

The Armed Forces Division of the National Council has received word that one of its chaplains, (Major) Arthur H. Marsh, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal. Chaplain Marsh is with 3rd Infantry Division of the 15th Infantry Regiment in Korea.

The citation states that, "elements of the Company 'F' returned to their outpost after engaging the enemy on 'Jackson Heights'. Realizing that the men were fatigued after many hours of fighting and that they had been unable to attend religious services for a considerable period of time, Chaplain Marsh voluntarily left the Main Line of Resistance and proceeded to the outpost to conduct services. After reaching the position *via* a path which was under constant enemy surveillance and intermittent artillery fire, he stood exposed to the fire, conducting services for the men. Chaplain Marsh's heroism was greatly responsible for improving the morale of the friendly unit."

Alcohol Committee Begins Study

The Church's Joint Committee to Study the Problems of Alcoholism, as appointed by the last General Convention of the Church, held its first meeting, in April, at the Educational Center, Plainfield, N. H.

Since the days of Repeal there has been a very definite shift in much of the Church's activity away from legislative control and toward education. Those working with alcoholics and their families feel that alcoholism is a spiritual problem in that the alcoholic is a person separated from his God, his neighbor, and himself. The group—aware of this trend—explored two avenues of thought: First, to reduce the incidence of alcoholism as much as possible. Second, to help the sick alcoholic and his family.

This is the first time such a conference has been held under the auspices of a Church group. The committee hopes that this will be a step forward in conquering the disease of alcoholism which afflicts the lives of millions of Americans today.

Church Featured In National Press

Three articles about the Episcopal Church, "What is an Episcopalian", "The Amazing Gentleman from Sewanee", and "The Church of the Prayer Book", have appeared in recent issues of national magazines. The *Saturday Evening Post* carried its article on the Episcopal Seminary in Sewanee on March 28th. *Look Magazine* carried an article in its May 19th issue by the Rev. W. Norman Pittenger concerning the doctrine of the Episcopal Church. The National Council of Churches *Outlook* article in its May issue was by the Rev. Canon C. Rankin Barnes, secretary of General Convention.

National Council Allots Mission Funds

Greenwich, Conn.—The National Council of the Church wound up its quarterly meeting by appropriating a total of \$400,000 for the missionary work of the Church at home and overseas. A large part of this sum will be used for building and repairing churches in the field.

Forty thousand dollars will go toward building a Christian student center near the government university in Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan. The Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, Presiding Bishop, commented enthusiastically on the action taken: "This has been the greatest advance in our missionary program to be made since I have been Presiding Bishop."

Parish Acquires Conference Grounds

A two-hundred-acre ranch with a four-bedroom ranch house and other improvements having a total valuation of more than \$100,000 has been acquired by St. Andrew's Church, Amarillo, Texas, "in answer to prayer", says the rector, Dr. Smythe Lindsay. "I have been praying for some time that our parish might have a center near the city for spiritual, mental, and physical recreation, and through the vision of one of our communicants, Mrs. Betty Bivins Childers, the prayer is being answered." Mrs. Childers offered the ranch and house to the parish on a lease plan of \$1.00 per year, and also provided a fund for maintenance and program.

Under the rectorship of the Rev. Dr. Lindsay, St. Andrew's has more than doubled in membership, activities, and financial support during the past three years.

GFS Sends Girls To Coronation

Five representatives from the Girls' Friendly Society of the U.S.A. will attend the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth in June at the invitation of the G.F.S. in England. Accompanied by Mrs. Harold E. Woodward, president of the Society, the girls sailed from New York May 14. They will have visited Ireland, Scotland, and Wales as the guests of the Girls' Friendly Society in each of these countries before arriving in England.

In addition to the Coronation ceremony their itinerary includes a service at St. Paul's Cathedral on June 8th, which the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will attend, and a Garden Party at Lambeth Palace following a Girls' Friendly Society Festival Service at the Church of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields.

The G.F.S. in Great Britain is an organization of the Church of England, and has enjoyed the patronage of the Queen ever since it was founded during the reign of Queen Victoria. Both Queen Elizabeth and the Queen Mother are Royal Patrons, and Princess Mary, sister of the late King George VI, heads the Society as its Presiding Associate.

The delegation of teen-age girls is composed of outstanding members of the G.F.S. in different parts of the

United States. The group includes: Nancy Williams, of West Clayton, Mo.; Dorothy Anne Bruce, Brookline, Mass.; Marjorie Fetting, Hopedale, Mass.; Elinor Weiss, Visalia, Calif.; and Hay Wood, Philadelphia, Pa.

Presiding Bishop To Visit Orient

The Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, D.D., and Mrs. Sherrill will leave late this summer for Japan, Korea, Okinawa, the Philippines, and Hawaii, where Bishop Sherrill will make a first-hand survey of the Church's problems and responsibilities in the Pacific area. He plans to meet with bishops, missionaries, and chaplains in all these countries.

During the second World War,

when he was Chairman of the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains, Bishop Sherrill made several trips to the war fronts, both in the Pacific and in Europe.

Church Membership Reaches All-Time High

Membership in the Episcopal Church reached an all-time high of 2,715,825 in the year 1952, according to the latest issue of the Episcopal Church Annual. The Annual also reports 7,954 parishes and missions, 6,958 priests, 6,971 lay-readers, 589 candidates for Holy Orders, and 1,246 postulants for Holy Orders. A Negro parish, St. Philip's in Harlem, is still the largest parish in the Church.

A QUEEN IS CROWNED

VERY REV. ALAN C. DON, K.C.V.O., D.D.

Dean of Westminster

During the course of the past nine hundred years every King and Queen of England (with the exception of King Edward V and King Edward VIII) has been crowned in Westminster Abbey. Of the great Norman Abbey erected by King Edward the Confessor, in which King William the Conqueror was crowned, no trace remains above ground. The present Abbey, dating from the reign of King Henry III, has been the scene of all the Coronations from that of King Edward I onwards.

His son, King Edward II, was the first King to be crowned on the Coronation Chair, which is possibly the only part of the mediaeval regalia that has survived the ravages of time and the fury of the fanatic. For that reason King Edward's Chair, with the ancient Stone of Scone encased within it, is treasured throughout the English-speaking world as being the most venerable material link with the monarchies of England and Scotland, once separate but since 1603 united to their mutual benefit under one crown. In that chair and upon that stone Queen Elizabeth will be crowned Queen not of England and

Scotland only, but of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and all her other realms and territories included within the British Commonwealth of Nations.

The word commonwealth reminds us of the immense changes that have taken place since the last queen who was Sovereign in her own right ascended the throne. When Queen Victoria was crowned, the British Empire was mainly governed from Whitehall. Since the passing of the Statute of Westminster, however, each of the self-governing dominions (or Members of the Commonwealth as they are now more properly called) is recognized as an independent partner in a worldwide community of peoples free to live their own lives in their own way, but linked together by a common loyalty to the throne and in varying degrees by the intangible bonds of a common cultural heritage and tradition. Consequently the terms of the oath taken by the sovereign at the beginning of the Coronation Service underwent drastic alteration in 1937, in order to bring them into line with the existing constitutional situation. Further modifications will be necessary in 1953 to bring the oath up to date with recent developments within the Commonwealth.

In other respects, however, the Coronation Service will remain substantially unchanged, and will reproduce all the main features of the august ceremony, which bears such striking witness to the close association between Church and Crown that has existed since Anglo-Saxon times in Great Britain.

For a Coronation is essentially a religious service of profound spiritual significance—"from beginning to end a most solemn religious act," as Archbishop Lang said in 1937. As in the case of the consecration of a bishop, the consecration of a King or Queen takes place within the framework of the Holy Communion and partakes of its sacramental character. The central act of the whole ceremony is not the Crowning but the Anointing when, by the hallowing with holy oil, the Sovereign is "anointed, blessed, and consecrated Queen over the peoples whom the Lord God hath given her to rule and govern." All the symbolic rites that follow the Anointing, such as the girding with the sword, the presentation of the orb and the ring and the two sceptres, culminating in the act of Coronation itself, are outward and visible signs charged with an inward and spiritual meaning, and may therefore be truly said to be sacramental in intention. Not until the Queen has been invested with all the emblems of royalty and has been presented with the Bible, "the most valuable thing that this world affords", is she "lifted up" into her throne, there to receive the homage due to her "state of royal and imperial dignity", delivered unto her "in the Name and by the authority of Almighty God."

These ancient and deeply significant rites being concluded, the Order of Holy Communion will then proceed in its accustomed form, and the Queen will make her communion as the acknowledgment of her dependence upon God and of her loyalty to Him who is the King of Kings. Thus a Coronation is first and foremost a solemn religious act.

St. Francis Boys' Homes

BY A MEMBER OF THE STAFF

The St. Francis Boys' Homes program in Kansas is your Church project in the field of boys' work—and it is a unique contribution.

Unlike other non-reformatory institutions for boys, St. Francis is not in-



Founder and Director
"Father Bob" Mize

terested in the merely dependent boy, but in the so-called "delinquent" lad. Every boy at St. Francis is a court-case child, parolled to us by the Courts. Only very occasionally will any other Boys' Homes take a boy who has already been in trouble with the police. Other Boys' Homes are filled with orphans, State wards, abandoned children, and the issue of broken homes—leaving St. Francis as the boys' only alternative to Reformatory or Industrial School.

Such a unique enrollment calls, naturally, for a unique program of opera-

tion. St. Francis feels it has met that challenge, too. Protesting against the usual impersonal, segregated sentence of the Reform School, St. Francis has built a new procedure. The boys, first of all, are not segregated. They live in the Home-Units, in Ellsworth, Bavaria, and Salina, Kansas; but they attend the public school; take part in civic and after-school-hours athletics and clubs; date local girls; hold part-time jobs downtown; attend town entertainment and churches. They are being taught to live as a part of, not apart from, the community in which they find themselves. Few indeed have been the cases where a boy made a successful adjustment at St. Francis, and did not carry that adjustment with him successfully into the larger world of adult responsibility and decision. As one of the boys put it, "If somebody trusts me, I won't let them down; but nobody ever trusted me before."

To say that the program has always worked and that relations between Home and Community were always easy, would be ridiculous. The first two years were indeed a hard row to hoe. Some of the law-enforcement officials were harsh and unsympathetic; the local residents were suspicious and apprehensive—and with some reason. *Time Magazine*, in reporting on the progress of the Homes said, "The first two years the boys practically tore the towns apart." Since that time, however, boys and staff having learned much, there is no more of that.

Proof of the miraculous change is to be found in several concrete things. First of all, the boys themselves are contributing more than their share of athletic prowess, scholastic achievement, club memberships, and leadership and personality to their respective schools. Secondly, a solid backbone of faithful support now comes from nearly 500 immediate town-neighbors of the Homes. All of these are small contributions from ordinary people who believe now in the St. Francis Plan. There is much social exchange between the Units and the towns—dances, club-meetings, parties. The Bavaria Unit has a new recreation hall, part of an old Army building. It is the site of an increasing number of parties for school, townspeople, team, and other groups.

There are certain basic precepts in addition to non-segregated life, which the Homes use as an operating code. The first of this is the "small-unit" plan. St. Francis Boys' Homes now consist of the two units at Bavaria and Ellsworth, each capable of caring for about 22 boys



The Ellsworth Unit

and adjust more satisfactorily in their relations to one another. If St. Francis is to grow it must be into more Units very much like the present two, and we pray that it *will* grow both as to trained staff and as to accommodations for boys. Because of the initial, specialized treatment of "disturbed boys", which we've not had an adequately-trained staff to handle, and because of lack of room for more boys, we have had to turn down as many as 80 boys in a nine-months period.

We at St. Francis are convinced that the future strength and usefulness of the program depends almost entirely upon the interest, prayers, and contributions of an ever-widening circle of devoted Church friends.

and staff; the Reception Center in Salina holds five boys, for screening prior to entry into one of the Units, and a housemother. The small units create a sort of home-fraternity atmosphere, and the boys more readily respond to the close contact between staff and them-

At 11 a.m. one Sunday, the golden chimes began ringing out in the carillon tower at Grace Cathedral—and, as usual, they clanged solemnly away for about 10 minutes . . . Half-way through, Paul (Almaden) Godard's little niece turned to him with a perplexed look on her face. "Uncle Paul," she asked, "why doesn't God answer the door?"



Along California Mission Trails

*Faces, Places and Projects
of the Diocese*

Holy Trinity, Menlo Park

A building campaign in Lent which stimulated spiritual growth rather than detracted from the observance of the season, has been the experience of Holy Trinity Parish. The "Forward in Faith" Campaign was launched for the dual purpose of reducing the debt on the church building erected in 1950 and of raising funds to build a new parish hall. The campaign has brought in over \$84,750.00 in cash and pledges, with the prospect of additional gifts during the year which will bring the total up to the goal of \$90,000.00. H. P. Demand & Associates directed the campaign through their representative, Reginald West, and kept it on a high level of Christian stewardship. Kenneth S. Benedict, senior warden, was campaign chairman.

Recent gifts to the church include reading lamps for the pulpit and lectern, one given by the Menlo Park Presbyterian Church Men's Club, and the other given as a memorial to Lydia M. Berridge by her children. A set of white eucharistic vestments, made by the Altar Guild, and given

by Mrs. Louise Gordon, was dedicated by the rector in Eastertide. A font screen, given by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Pearce, has been moved from the old church, refinished to match the woodwork of the new church, and placed in the narthex.

The parish has leased a house to be used as a rectory, and the apartment formerly occupied by the rector and his family has been made available to a "DP" couple who have been employed to care for the buildings and grounds.

Young Adults' Service Project

As their special project, the Young Adults Group of St. James', San Francisco, have undertaken the improvement of the parish hall kitchen. Funds have been allocated by the vestry, and all work will be done by the young men and women of the group, of which Donald C. Edson is president.

Growth Taxes Church Facilities

The Church School of St. Peter's, San Francisco, now has an enrollment

of 150 and the parish house is straining at the seams to provide classrooms. The men and boys of the parish recently gave their evenings and a Saturday to redecorate the rooms and did a colorful job.



Junior Acolytes recently installed in the Order of St. Vincent.

The Scoutmasters of the Richmond District, in appreciation of the use of the Auditorium for their meetings, erected a floor-to-ceiling partition on the second floor of the parish house, providing two additional classrooms, and also painted two rooms in attractive colors.

Parish Hall Plans Progressing

St. Francis' Church, Willow Glen, San Jose, is planning construction of a new parish hall. The seven-room house on the property, purchased in 1947, is no longer adequate for large group functions. Tentative plans call for a building having about 3300 square feet of floor space, and a seating capacity of 350 persons, which will house Church School classes and quarters for various other groups and parish functions.

The new project follows by only six months the completion of new Church School rooms and offices at a

cost of \$35,000. In the last year and a half the Church School attendance has doubled, with present enrollment over 350, and all parish organizations and church attendance have expanded, so that the present facilities are overcrowded. The parish now has in hand over \$28,000 toward cost of the new unit, and a campaign to raise the additional \$22,000 began May 3rd. William H. Davis is chairman of the campaign. The Rev. Marshall Wickham is rector.

News of the Divinity School

A bequest of securities amounting to more than \$15,000 has been left the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in the will of the late Mrs. Ellwood P. Cubberley of Palo Alto. A long-time supporter of the school, Mrs. Cubberley died on January 25th.

Mrs. Cubberley was born in Richmond, Indiana, in 1871. In 1892 she married Ellwood P. Cubberley, who joined the Stanford faculty six years later as a professor of education. He was later made dean of his department, and retired in 1933. The Cubberleys gave Stanford the half-million-dollar education building which bears their name.

After Dr. Cubberley died, his widow turned their spacious home in the Stanford hills into a dormitory for graduate women students. She continued to live there as a gracious hostess, counselor, and friend until her death.

The Associated Students of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific has dissolved its formal organ-

ization to join the faculty in formation of the Society of the Celtic Cross, the missionary society of the school. This body, formed at the final meeting of the students this year, will govern all student affairs and promote the missionary enterprises of the school. All regular students and faculty are its members.

Malcolm Boyd, student from the Diocese of Los Angeles, has been elected president of the Society for 1953-54; John B. Coffey, Diocese of Tennessee, has been elected secretary; and Philip Jerauld, of the Missionary District of Alaska, has been selected treasurer.

Missionary and Vocational Giving Funds from the school year 1952-53 totalled more than \$600 and were divided three ways. Both St. Andrew's Seminary in Manila and the Missionary District of Panama received \$250. Balance of the fund is being applied to the Muriel Hallett Miller Memorial Fund, which will be used to equip a Religious Education audiovisual room at the seminary when new construction plans are realized.

Next year's catalogue will come out with a new department, CM for Church Music. The department will be under the direction of Mr. Norman Mealy, who took over C.D.S.P. music activities this year.

In the past, C.D.S.P. has had a limited music department, but this year has seen its revision and growth. Not only has the traditional Church Music course been offered seniors, but Mr. Mealy has had compulsory weekly choir rehearsal, a weekly class in music reading, for those without mu-

sical backgrounds, and this quarter is teaching an historical survey course in Church Music.

Plans for next year will include all three of these courses, and the Church Music course will be called *Music in the Parish* and will be required of all third-quarter juniors. It will include principles of selecting music for all services, the principles of chanting, music for Holy Communion service, music in the Church school, and music for small choirs. It will also familiarize students with various types of organs available for churches.

Letter From Diocesan CWS Representative

"Our Episcopal Church Food Package Program seems to be getting on.

"As of the last day of April, 93 individual packages have been received at the Church World Service Warehouse at 10901 Russett Street, Oakland, which I would judge is a pretty good record. I wish we could claim all 93 packages for the Diocese of California, but I am told that they have come in from a good many Western States. Here is the detailed report:

"On February 19, 3 boxes, weight 380 pounds, containing 27 individual food packages, were sent to Mr. J. B. Atkinson, Church World Service representative at Salzburg, Austria, via the *Buckeye State*.

"On April 24th, 5 boxes, weight 909 pounds, containing 49 individual packages were shipped to CRALOG, Bremen, Germany, via SS *Clintonia*

(CRALOG is the cable address of all the cooperating relief agencies in West Germany).

"In the warehouse, awaiting shipment to Greece, are 2 boxes, weight 193 pounds, containing 17 individual packages which are going to the Church World Service Center, 27 Voulis St., Athens, Greece.

"I think the record is a good one and I hope that we can continue it. Sincerely yours, W. B. Murdock."

New Youth Group Formed

A young people's group was formed May 3rd at St. Barnabas', Arroyo Grande, with twin objectives: study and social activities. The new organization, which will meet on Sunday evenings, chose for its first officers Patricia Teague and Margie Dana as temporary chairman and secretary, respectively. A committee was appointed to plan, with the vicar, the Rev. David W. C. Graham, a program of activities.

Novato Mission Schedules Festival

The third annual June Festival of the Mission of St. Francis of Assisi, Novato, has been planned for Saturday, June 6th. The affair, which will run all day, will be held on the Mission grounds.

Besides the sales booths, antique auction, and "Gayway", there will be several food concessions. Plans are being completed for a "special" luncheon, snack counters, and tea in a garden setting under the oak trees.

An exhibition of Guide Dogs' obedience trials, a Youth Group skit, and music will provide entertainment during the afternoon.

The Festival this year is of particular importance, for it marks the climax of the fund-raising campaign which is to make possible the building of a parish house. Larger accommodations are necessary to fill the needs of the ever-increasing numbers who have been attending services in the vicarage and the outdoor "Chapel of St. Clare".

Poster Contest Winners Announced

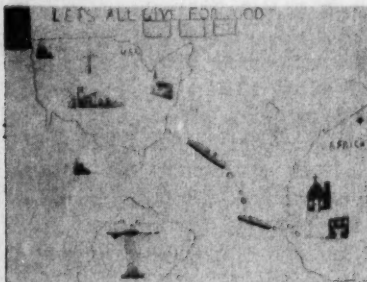
The first Lenter Poster Contest for the Church Schools of the Diocese brought contributions from a half-dozen schools, and augurs well for increasing interest in the program in the future. All of the contributions were by individual children, with no class projects. Three first prizes were therefore possible, in the Primary, Junior, and Intermediate Divisions. However, only two awards were made by the judges, because the entries in the Intermediate class, though beautiful examples of flat-and relief-map making were not, strictly speaking, posters. Moreover, although they were quite detailed as to the physical and economic geography of Africa and Liberia, they were uniformly silent about the work of the Church in that land, which was, of course, the subject of Lenten study.

First prize in the Primary Division (grades 1 to 3) went to Claudia Jeffrey, age 7, of St. Barnabas', Antioch,

one of the newest Church Schools in the Diocese. She depicts St. John's School for boys in Robertsport, Liberia.



First prize in the Junior Division (grades 4 to 6) was awarded to Linda Joy Eagan of All Saints', San Leandro, for a poster showing a ship bearing gifts and love from America to Liberia.



Special mention must be made of the Church School of St. Barnabas', Antioch, twenty-two members of a single class in which submitted entries; and of the 6-7-8 grade group at All Souls', Berkeley, whose maps were of such technical and artistic excellence.

All of the entries were on display in the Cathedral at the Mite-Box Presentation Service on May 2nd, and attracted a great deal of interest.

San Francisco Parish Receives Bequests

Announcement was made by the Rev. Leighton H. Nugent, rector of Trinity Church, San Francisco, that through the will of the late Sarah B. Collier, civic, religious, and social leader, a residence at 150 Jordan Avenue has been bequeathed to the parish. The home for the past five years has been rented as a rectory. The property is in memory of Miss Collier's parents, Mary Blackwood Collier and William Bell Collier.

The rector has also been notified that the sum of \$2,500 will come to Trinity from the estate of Mrs. Sara Agnes Dodge of New York City. Mrs. Dodge was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. Page Brown of San Francisco. Mr. Brown was the architect of Trinity Church, the Ferry Building, and other prominent structures.

Pre-School Program Initiated

The Guild of the Holy Family, following a plan developed by the Christian Education Department of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, has been started at St. James', San Francisco. Enrolled as members are baptized infants who are sent cards on birth and baptismal anniversaries, and at Christmas and Easter. Parents are also given booklets of prayers and instruction in the spiritual training of their children. Contact will be maintained through the fourth year, when the child normally begins Church School.

Forty-five children are at present enrolled, with the number increasing rapidly. Mrs. Ray Junk and Mrs. Samuel Johnson are handling all follow-up detail and secretarial work involved in the Guild program.

Flight to Suburbs Makes Urban Problem

There is an acute crisis in the Church. This is not an over-statement in the light of statistics which show that large city churches are losing communicants as fast as suburban churches are gaining them. The sobering fact came out of a discussion held when the Rev. G. Paul Musselman, Executive Secretary of the Division of Urban-Industrial Work of the National Council's Department of Christian Social Relations, met with a group of nine clergy of the Diocese on May 8th, following Synod.

The retreat from the city church can be counteracted by wide-awake, flexible, and devoted priests, thoroughly at home in the democratic process, with a deep love of people and an understanding of their needs. Where the city church was formerly walled in away from the world, structurally forbidding, and preaching a gelatin-like humanitarianism, it must now be more accessible and evangelistically inspired to convert those who pass under its shadow.

In the strategy of an earlier day, long periods of relative stability were pre-supposed; but today, population is not stable. New techniques, taking account of our mobility and based on short tenure, must be de-

signed to reach the non-Christian where he is at any given moment.

The two-hour conference closed with some specific suggestions toward the solution of the problem of the city church:

1. Join the Episcopal Urban Fellowship. (The Rev. Stanley P. Gasek, Secretary, 6 Elizabeth St., Utica 2, New York.)

2. Subscribe to "The City Church", organ of the Department of the Urban Church, National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., 297 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, New York.

3. Plan now for an "Urban Training Institute" for the West in San Francisco under the auspices of the National Council.

4. Create in the Diocese an informed group to study and discuss urban problems and develop techniques and principles.

5. Reconsider the allotment of funds for missionary expansion so that the city parish need not "die on the vine".

6. Assist the Church nationally in planning to subsidize strategic city parishes where the Diocese cannot do so.

Phantom Mission Takes on Reality

Two years ago, at the Diocesan Convention of 1951, the petition of a group of residents of Gonzales, in Monterey County, for the establishment of the Episcopal Church in their community, resulted in action admitting a mission in Gonzales into

union with the Convention. No organized work was undertaken there, however, until Palm Sunday of this year, when the Rev. Jerome F. Politzer, vicar of St. George's Alisal, held a Sunday evening service for interested Episcopalians and others. Since that time regular weekly services have been held by the Rev. Mr. Politzer and the Rev. Richard Coombs, rector of St. Paul's, Salinas, in rented quarters in the Elks Club Rooms.

On April 26th, a meeting of the congregation was held, following Evening Prayer, attended by the Rev. Mr. Politzer, the Rev. Mr. Coombs, and the Rev. Canon Charles M. Guilbert, representing the Bishops. Forty residents of the community were present. After spirited discussion, the group decided on organizing a mission congregation, and chose for itself the name of Trinity Church. The first Bishop's Committee, named by Canon Guilbert as Organizer, is composed of Mr. Robert Trafton, warden; Mrs. R. B. Heim, Sr., clerk; and Mr. Sidney Huguenin, treasurer.

For the present, Trinity, Gonzales, will continue to meet in rented quarters, and the vicar of Alisal will be priest-in-charge, in addition to his other duties.

Cathedral Service for Foreign Students, Hosts

On Saturday afternoon, June 27th, a service will be held in the Chapel of Grace for a group of foreign students who have been studying in the United States for the past year. The service is under the sponsorship of

the American Field Service, whose aim it is to foster international understanding by bringing foreign students here for study and by providing scholarships to enable American students to study in Europe. It also works with the State Department in bringing German students to this country for study, during which time they are housed with American families. This particular group of thirty students have been studying in schools in the Western States and are meeting in San Francisco for two days before returning to their homes abroad. They, with thirty high school students in San Francisco who will be their hosts for the week-end, and the parents of the latter, and persons connected with the American Field Service, will be in attendance at the service.

Institute Considers Problems of Alcoholism

Faced with the problem of alcoholism among parishioners, thirty-nine clergymen of the Diocese met at the School of the Prophets for an all-day Institute on Alcoholism. The Rev. George Ridgway, rector of Holy Trinity, Richmond, and chairman of the diocesan Committee on Alcoholism of the Department of Christian Social Relations, presided.

The morning session was under the chairmanship of the Rev. Edwin E. West, aided by a panel of four. The Rev. Robert Rodenmayer, professor of pastoral theology at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, spoke on "The Clergyman Faces the Prob-

lem". Tracing how alcoholism affects all of life, Professor Rodenmayer showed how the clergy could deal with the alcoholic by being accessible, by loving the alcoholic in spite of himself, by mediating the power of God, and by bringing him into the full fellowship of the Church. Dr. Paul Gliebe, M.D., for the past twenty-five years Chief of Service, Psychiatric Division, San Francisco Hospital, and professor in psychiatry at the University of California Medical School, approached his assigned topic, "What Role Has the Church to Play in the Problem of Alcoholism", by pointing out that alcoholism is a way of living which an individual finds convenient. Dr. Gliebe stated that the very fact that we live is a problem; that situations arouse anxieties; that a certain number of individuals find that the problems of living are made easier by partaking of alcohol; and that, therefore, alcoholism is a reaction rather than a disease, in the strict sense of the word.

Following luncheon, the afternoon session convened with the Rev. Fordyce Eastburn as chairman. The first speaker was Dr. Harry Rathbun, J.D., professor of law, Stanford Law School. A self-styled skeptic speaking to skeptics, Dr. Rathbun reviewed the famous "Twelve Steps" in attaining sobriety of Alcoholics Anonymous, showing how these related to the Church, and how the program of A.A. is really a religious program. Someone remarked that the "Twelve Steps" were really good Christianity for any Church member, with or without the problem of alcohol.

Possibly the high point of the day arrived when two men, the Rev. George W. Ridgway and Mr. Edward Gray, related their experiences with alcohol. Everyone felt extremely grateful to these two men for portraying so vividly and honestly their reactions to compulsive drinking. All agreed this was an experience long to be remembered.

The evening was given over to a meeting of the Committee on Alcoholism. Miss Dorothy Shields, founder of Tradition House in San Francisco, gave a personal review of her life and the wonderful help which she obtained from A.A. in combatting alcoholism. The remainder of the evening was spent in reporting on the all-day Clergy Institute and in planning the next steps for the Committee. A pilot Institute on Alcoholism will be planned for the Redwood City, Palo Alto, San Mateo area under the leadership of the Rev. Fordyce Eastburn, Mr. William D. Lucas, and Mr. H. W. Haviland, both of Palo Alto.

April Meeting Diocesan Council

The Diocesan Council met at the Diocesan House on the afternoon of April 29th. The Treasurer's report indicated that the assessments of the Episcopal and Convention Fund were normal and that payments on the apportionments of the parishes for the Diocesan Working Fund were coming in with regularity. The Rev. Edward M. Pennell, Jr., reported for the Department of Finance. Only five Churches have not yet made pay-

ments on pledges for the Working Fund this year. Notice was received from the National Council that the 1954 quota for the Diocese for the general work of the Church is set at \$94,458.00.

The Council received with regret the resignation of the Rev. James C. Crosson from membership on the Council. The Rev. Mr. Crosson is under doctor's orders to curtail some of his activities.

The Rev. Edward A. Wicher, Jr., reported for the Department of Christian Education. He stated that the Department is now fully organized in all divisions and that plans for the summer conferences are going well. He announced the plans for the Service of Offerings on May 2nd.

The Rev. Lesley Wilder reported for the Department of Missions. He stated that he had met with Canon Guilbert to discuss the plans for the Strategy Committee appointed for the Hayward area. Positive suggestions will be made shortly for the work of the Church in this territory.

Bishop Shires reported that the mission of Trinity, Gonzales has been formally organized, with Canon Guilbert as organizer. The work has been revived under the leadership of the Rev. Jerome Politzer and the Rev. Richard Coombs, and the situation is so encouraging that the plan is to have a full-time clergyman shortly.

It was reported that the Rev. Peter Farmer states that work would soon start on the parish house at Novato, as they have raised an additional \$2,000, which had been stipulated

by Bishop Block.

Bishop Shires asked the approval of the Council for St. Patrick's, El Cerrito, to raise funds for a new building. This was granted.

St. Timothy's, Mountain View, was formally organized on April 19th, with the Rev. Henry M. Shires as organizer. The budget has been adopted, and it is hoped that a clergyman can soon be assigned to this area under the direction of the Rev. Edwin West.

Report was made that the work of construction of St. Elizabeth's, South San Francisco, is well under way and will be completed before the end of the summer.

Bishop Shires also told the Council that there had been requests from interested persons in the Livermore area for work to be established in that community. This resulted in a scheduled meeting with interested people on the night of May 4th. It is hoped that active work will begin shortly.

Mrs. Verleger, reporting for the Department of Christian Social Relations, asked that approval be given for the appointment of the following persons as members of the Department: the Rev. Oscar Green, the Rev. Dr. Frederick Schilling, the Rev. Kenneth L. Sandercock, Mr. Ashfield Stowe, Mrs. J. Saul Polhemus, and Mr. Tremaine Loud. These names were approved.

The Rev. Carl Tamblyn reported that plans for the entertainment of the Synod were well under way and that everything would be ready at the proper time.

The Rev. David Graham reported that title to the property in Atascadero has been cleared and the congregation is looking forward to the appointment by the Bishop of a full-time clergyman. Services are now being held in a local mortuary chapel and a large number of interested people are looking forward to the further development of the mission.

"All I Know Is What I Read in the Papers"

ST. PAUL's, *San Rafael*. A contract has been signed for the construction of a new parish hall. It is anticipated that it will be completed in time for the re-opening of Church School in September.

ALL SOUL's, *Berkeley*. A Parish Program Committee, to evaluate the present condition of the parish and to suggest future plans, has been formed. The report of this committee will be laid before a parish meeting in the Autumn.—*All Souls' Crusader*.

ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS', *Concord*. The mission is engaged in securing a fund of \$600, which, with a like amount contributed by Bishop Block, will make possible the construction of a new wing on their building to accommodate their growing Church School. This will be the second addition to the original building erected in 1949. As before, volunteer labor will greatly reduce the cost of construction.—*The Messenger*.

ST. PATRICK's, *El Cerrito*. An adult discussion group on *The Holy Scriptures* began on April 24th. It meets

weekly in the homes of members.

TRINITY, *Oakland*. The baptismal chapel in the north transept of the church was completed in April by the installation of wrought-iron candle brackets, presented by Mrs. Linden G. Johnson in memory of her husband.—*Trinity Messenger*.

HOLY TRINITY, *Menlo Park*. An adult study group on "Christianity and Communism" began weekly sessions on May 1st.

A Junior Choir was organized the end of April under the leadership of Robert Keine, parish organist, with a sponsoring group of parents. It is planned that the new choir will participate regularly in the Family Service on Sunday morning.—*Holy Trinity News*.

ST. MARK's, *Palo Alto*. Responding to an appeal from St. Mark's, London, for funds to restore its building, destroyed by enemy action, the vestry has voted a token gift and has issued a general announcement to the congregation to enable individuals to contribute to the fund. The appeal from London was made to all Episcopal churches in America dedicated in honor of St. Mark—*St. Mark's Lion*.

ALL SAINTS', *Carmel*. Work began the week of April 19th on the first step in enlarging and improvement of the church's organ—the installing of trumpet stops. As money becomes available further additions will be made.

A thank-offering gift of \$1,000 from Mrs. James Reynolds of Blue

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The Episcopal Church In Town and Country

BY THE REV. CLIFFORD L. SAMUELSON

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In 1100 counties in the United States, there is no Episcopal Church. In 791 counties there are less than 100 Episcopalians. These counties constitute a total population of 27,000,000. The ratio is less than one Episcopal Church member per thousand persons. These counties compose more than one-half the geographical area of the United States—most of it town and country. What do these figures mean in human terms? Let us take a glimpse of several rural people and their Church relationship.

We see a Mr. and Mrs. Peters, life-long devoted communicants, in their small farm home. They have just received word that their only son has been killed in Korea. In their grief, they turn to the Church. But where is the Church? Their home church, Canyon Bend, 70 miles away, has been without a resident minister for more than a year. So, morning chores finished, they drive 120 miles to the nearest town where there is a resident clergyman. As they share in the special service of Holy Communion, they hear again—and with new meaning—"Come unto me all ye that travail and are heavy-laden", "I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord." God's grace, through the ministry of prayer and sacrament, comes to them in their hour of need. The ministry of the Church is theirs—but only because of their own determined effort to find it.

It is a Sunday morning. Mrs. Brooks and her two children sit in the car at the junction of their country road and the main highway. They sit there, not driving on to the highway, for Mrs. Brooks suddenly realizes she doesn't know whether to turn right or left: to drive to Watkins or Blufton. There is an Episcopal church in each of these towns. Living half-way between, she attends both. Services are held in each on alternate Sundays. On alternate Sundays, the hour of service alternates between morning service and afternoon service. Mrs. Brooks has missed service for two Sundays. So she finds herself with a double problem: Is the service this Sunday in Watkins or Blufton, and is it a "Morning Prayer" or "Evening Prayer" Sunday? As she is checking her calendar, and receiving many unsolicited opinions from her two children, and has just reached the conclusion, by figuring backwards, that she is right and this is indeed the Sunday for Morning Service, and that it will be in Blufton, one of the girls shouts, "But Mother, this is fifth Sunday! There isn't any service in either place today!" This is the kind of stuff that makes poor and unhappy Community-Church members out of good Episcopalians. Our field studies

have shown that with a staggered and irregular alternating schedule of services, which is common for many rural churches, only one factor remains constant: the faithful few increase in age and decrease in number.

When the Samsons bought their small place in the country, they had been pleased to note the small church on the main highway about two miles away. Soon this church was torn down. On the same site, using the same lumber which was once the church building, a roadside tavern was built. Being outside any corporate limits, it has little legal supervision and it became a rural honky-tonk hangout for teen-agers of the area. Mr. Samson read with real understanding that the head of the rural sociology department of their State university had stated: "Our rural schools and our rural churches are surrendering the nation's rural youth to the care of the cross-road tavern." The Samson boy is 16, popular, and travels with the teen-age crowd. The daughter is 13 and enters high school next year. Mr. and Mrs. Samson wonder what they can do to help the Church reclaim some influence in the community and in their children's lives.

I stood with a western bishop on a hill overlooking a new community. Concentrated before us were several hundred recently-built small homes, house-trailer camps, dormitories for single men, a part of the movement of vast numbers of persons to rural areas as new industry is established. Said the bishop, "There are between three and four thousand people here. Most of them are young couples with children. The only religious work here is by a Roman priest who spends two days a month here. I hold a service and visit with families whenever I can come. But it is 400 miles from the District office. Our nearest priest is 122 miles from here. He serves his parish and two missions in an opposite direction from this. I can't ask him to give these people any attention. Besides, if it were humanly possible he would be here without my suggesting it. He would do it even if the extra cost of his gasoline bill meant that he, his wife, and "the kids" had to wear their old clothes even longer than they do now. Fact is, already he travels at least 2,000 miles a month on Church work. I pay him \$30.00 a month for travel. Figure it out; that's a cent-and-a-half per mile, and it's his own car. That means he is paying out of his own pocket at least \$60.00 a month for the privilege of driving his car on the Church's business. Every time I think of him and his wife and their three kids . . . well, I just have to stop thinking. (It is common knowledge that bishops don't just stop thinking;—they work, they pray, they give sacrificially from their own salaries.)

"Fact is," continued the bishop, "I've decided we can't begin new work here now. First, I don't know where to get a man to go into this type of job. I've found only three Church families here. This is the tough missionary job of working with non-Church people. Second, if I find a priest for a job like this, he'd probably be married. There is no place for him to live. To build a small

house here would cost at least \$7,000. Why, I couldn't find enough money to set him up in a house-trailer."

These are true-life scenes, of the people behind some of the statistics of the county map. I could give you many more: of rural clergy homes which serve as the parish hall and Church School facilities, and permit no real home and family life for the minister and his family; of young, zealous rural clergy who after two or three years of grappling with the task before them, become frustrated because the spread-out of their work is so great their best efforts seem futile.

But the picture is not all dark. The light side is the many constructive resources now active in the Episcopal Church's Town and Country work. In our Town and Country Division our Church now has an organization, clearly defined goals, definitely established policies, and a reasonably adequate budget to deal more thoroughly with both the problems and opportunities of the Church in rural areas.

We are placing emphasis at this stage in providing clergy and women workers with training, resources, guidance, and inspiration for their difficult task in the Town and Country church of today. In addition to the present in-service training program of short courses for rural clergy, we are for the first time prepared to have at the National Town-Country Church Institute at Roanridge year-round specialized Town and Country Church Work courses and seminars—a rural College of Preachers. We have placed special emphasis on providing rural-church field-training for seminarians and women in training for Church work. Approximately 200 students are enrolled each year in Town and Country specialized training. This is all proving fruitful in raising up more and better-trained clergy for rural work.

Spear-heading this is the work of the National Town-Country Church Institute, at Roanridge, Platte County, Missouri, which geographically and symbolically is at the very center of rural America and our rural work. The Institute provides the Church with a national headquarters for a rural program. There, in a rural setting, we constantly meet face-to-face the most basic problems confronting the Church in rural areas. The Institute combines the advantages of being an educational institution specializing in training for the rural ministry and a field laboratory for grappling with the problems which confront the men who serve in the rural churches. The total work at Roanridge is complex. It is long range. For that reason some things we do are not exactly clear to the casual observer. In our total program at Roanridge, as in the Division of Town and Country we have drawn upon and been benefited by the successes and failures of other Church bodies, as well as on the successes and failures of our own laboratory field work.

The in-service training, the field training of seminarians, when coupled with other phases of the total program of the Division of Town and Country and Domestic Missions are steadily giving reassurance to our clergy in rural

areas. Our rural clergy today are increasingly having the morale-building experience of knowing that their local efforts are a part of a larger and Church-wide plan for a stronger Town and Country Church and ministry. No longer do we lift out the rural minister as "the forgotten man" of the Church. You, through General Convention, have changed that. You are making it possible for our Church to develop a work and leadership geared to meet the changed and changing conditions in rural family and community life. We are experiencing that joy of seeing anew that the Episcopal Church has in her organization, her faith, her practices, great and powerful gifts to win a response from rural people.

We must steadily move toward the day when our isolated and faithful Church families, such as Mr. and Mrs. Peters, will have a priest whom they can call their own; toward the day when our Church will be more faithful in fulfilling her obligation of nurturing with spiritual food her members through providing regularity of worship and the Holy Communion; toward the day when, through teaching resources and facilities, Christian Education will be the rule rather than the exception in our rural Church work; toward the day when we shall be knocking on the doors not only of those of our own fold who now have no shepherd, but will be reaching out with friendly and serving hand to the 30 million persons in rural America who now have no Church. All this and more will come to pass as our Church with her redeeming ministry of Word and Sacrament continues to move out in eager service to the people of Town and Country in this, "our beloved land".

Trails

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Ridge Summit, Pennsylvania, initiated a Building Fund for a new Church School Wing. The architect is already drawing plans and a contracting firm has offered to donate its services. A fund-raising drive is planned. The new wing will house the primary, nursery, and kindergarten which have had to meet on the stage of the parish hall since its construction two years ago.

ST. JOHN's, *Del Monte*. The parish bulletin proved to have great pulling power when, as a result of requests

for furnishings in a recent issue, the following gifts were received: an altar service book, a lectern Bible, an alms basin and matching offering plates, a set of altar hangings, and a cross to be worn by the crucifer.

—*St. John's Evangelist*

ALL SAINTS', *Watsonville*. The rector has announced that a complete parish library, as recommended by the recent Parish Program Conference leaders, has been secured.

—*Sursum Corda*

Mission Congregation In New Home



The above photograph is a picture of the new Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration in South San Mateo, as it will appear when completed. This new church began as a parochial mission of the Church of St. Matthew, San Mateo, and became a diocesan mission at the last Convention.

At the present time the parish house and tower are completed and are being used for services and parish programs of the new Mission. This first unit was built at a cost of \$85,000.00 and the acre of land on which it is located was purchased at a cost of \$12,000.00. This, plus the salary of the vicar, the Rev. John Edward Easton, makes a contribution to the missionary work of the Church of \$100,000.00 by the parish of St. Matthew.

The location of the new church is

dramatic, being high on a hill overlooking the entire Peninsula. The district in which it stands has witnessed a tremendous growth during the past ten years and there are literally hundreds of new homes, mostly owned by young married couples with small children. The income of these families is moderate, which would mean that the cost of a new church would be prohibitive for them to undertake on their own. But the potential of the area is so great that it is hoped that the Transfiguration will be an independent parish by January, 1954. This means that one year after the congregation moved into its new structure, the Diocese of California will have a new, self-sustaining parish added to its rolls. The Church of St. Matthew offers this as one solution to the problems of missions.



Church Women And the Way

Conducted by
Violet T. Chester

A California Idyll

St. Dorothy's Rest was founded fifty-two years ago, in memory of Dorothy Pitkin Lincoln. It was the first work in California for children who could get a vacation in no other way.

The story of its founding has been told many times, and has proved the truth that through sorrow and accident much good can come. Bishop Nichols thus described the place: "Unique as its magnificent redwoods, and, we trust, as strong as its life-renewing power, is California's Summer Home for children and adults. Hidden away in the heart of a Sonoma County forest is the most interesting summer resort in California. This resort was built for a purpose not commercial."

At the present time, St. Dorothy's has twenty-five acres, thirteen buildings, and has cared for over twelve thousand guests. The land and all buildings have been unsolicited gifts. The chapel is the heart of St. Dorothy's, and services are held there every day. Picnics, swimming, craft work, and parties, make a full program of activities.

St. Dorothy's is unique in that it has an alumni association of over

three hundred members, comprised of those who have been guests there, and those who have been deeply interested in it. In the eight years of its life, the alumni have given ten thousand dollars for the work carried on. The endowment is growing. It is our hope that it will become large enough to pay all expenses so that we need not be under any outside agency.

Eight years ago, the Sisters of the Transfiguration were invited to take over the management, so that continuity would be secured. We are most fortunate in having this fine Church sisterhood in charge, and we pray they will be with us many years.

St. Dorothy's has been used for many conferences and retreats, as well as vacations. Unfortunately, the children's applications are far greater than available facilities. Let us pray that the work will never lapse into innocuous desuetude.

—*Nellie O. Lincoln.*

Annual Meeting, Province of the Pacific

"You are responsible for bringing about the Kingdom of God—what are you going to do about it?" This challenge was presented to the women

of the Eighth Province by Kathryn Bryan Nelson, at the opening of the Provincial Annual Meeting. Better known, no doubt, as "Katie from Haiti", Mrs. Nelson is touring this Diocese for the National Council through the courtesy of the Girls' Friendly Society. Her topic was "Tomorrow's World Today". Another prominent speaker was Deaconess Elsie Riebe, who gave a moved assemblage an inspired description of her many years service in China.

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Woman's Auxiliary Notes

HOLY INNOCENTS', San Francisco: A new pipe organ has been installed, which was purchased by funds from memorials of the Woman's Auxiliary.

ST. LUKE'S, San Francisco: The Woman's Auxiliary is donating the proceeds of its June Birthday Party to the purchase of True Sunshine Mission bonds.

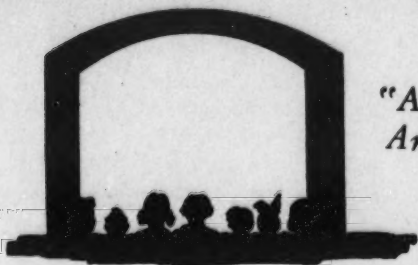
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"Spring House and Garden Tour" was sponsored by Grace Church through the coordinated efforts of the vestry, Auxiliary, and Teen Canteen. Four beautiful homes were open to visitors, with members of the Auxiliary acting as co-hostesses in each one. This is the first time that such a tour has been held, and it proved a financial as well as social success.

HOLY INNOCENTS', Corte Madera: On Sunday, March 1st, the Rev. Tod Ewald installed the following officers of the Woman's Auxiliary: president, Mrs. Roland L. Wilson; vice-president, Mrs. Barclay Renshaw; treasurer, Mrs. George Pollock; secretary, Mrs. Raymone Ahlers. Beginning with Holy Communion at 10 A.M., meetings of the Auxiliary are held every Wednesday. First Wednesdays of the month are business meetings; second and fourth are work days devoted to such duties as getting materials ready for missions, mending and pressing vestments, sewing for the bazaar; third Wednesdays are social days. The March social meeting was a "brunch" given in honor of the mothers of children in the kindergarten through the third grade. Mrs. Sydney Patterson, diocesan U.T.O. chairman, was the guest speaker. The April meeting was a card party. At the May meeting, the Auxiliary was host to the Marin County regional meeting. Deaconess Riebe, who has recently returned from China, was the honored guest and speaker.

The Evening Branch of the Auxiliary, Mrs. Fred Balsley, chairman, meets on the first and third Wednes-

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PEOPLE

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Local Clergyman to Attend Eastern Meet

The Rev. Oscar F. Green, rector of All Saints' Church, Palo Alto, has been invited by Governor John S. Fine of Pennsylvania, to be one of a hundred representative Americans to attend the First Aaronsburg Assembly to be held at Aaronsburg, Pennsylvania, June 19th to 21st. The Assembly is to consider a program for the extension of the American ideals of democracy, including social and religious solidarity.

The origin of the Assembly goes back to a meeting that was held at Aaronsburg, a small town in Center County, Pennsylvania, in 1949. Aaronsburg was settled by Lutherans more than 150 years ago on land belonging to a Jew, named Aaron Levy. The poor settlers had no money to build a church, so Aaron Levy built them one, and went to a neighboring city to purchase for them a set of communion vessels.

In 1949 the town, which has only a few hundred inhabitants, decided to celebrate the anniversary of their first service in the church that Aaron Levy had given them. The

County became interested in the project, then the neighboring colleges, finally the Governor of the State. It was rather hoped that a few thousand persons would come to the celebration. Thirty thousand came, including notables from all the Eastern cities. Governor Fine felt that the ideas inherent in the situation should be spread throughout the country. He appealed to the great philanthropic foundations, and they all agreed to give him funds to perpetuate the Aaronsburg story. The meeting in June will lay the plans for a new foundation to be known as the Aaronsburg Assembly.

Church Woman Named Outstanding Social Worker

Mrs. Helen Herrick, director of the Information Center for parents of mentally-retarded children under the State Department of Mental Hygiene was awarded the 1953 Koshland Social Work Practitioner Award as the outstanding California social worker of the year.

Mrs. Herrick, before coming to California several years ago, was employed by the Episcopal Service for

Youth, Inc., as a case worker. She was associated with the Manhattan office and had special competence in psychiatric social work. She has been a faithful member of the Department of Christian Social Relations of the Diocese of California for the past two years.

The award was presented to Mrs. Herrick by the California Conference of Social Work, meeting in Fresno on May 5th. The citation reads in part, "Mrs. Herrick's most significant contribution has been in work with groups of parents of retarded children. She helped a beginning parents-group movement in Northern California take hold and expand until at present it is one of the most important mental hygiene developments in the State."

EEF Observes Bishop's Birthday

The Eighty-Fifth Birthday of Edward Lambe Parsons, retired Bishop of California, was observed on May 18th, at a meeting of the Episcopal Evangelical Fellowship held at St. Paul's, Walnut Creek. The Rev. Wilfred H. Hodgkin, rector of Walnut Creek and host to the meeting, is a nephew of Bishop Parson's. Papers were read by the Rev. Eric W. Jackson and the Rev. Benjamin C. DeCamp. An election of officers was held and the Rev. Sherman E. Johnson, Ph.D., dean of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, was chosen president for the coming year, succeeding the Rev. W. R. H. Hodgkin, D.D.

Marriage of Son Takes Vicar East

The Rev. Benjamin C. DeCamp, vicar of St. Michael and All Angels', Concord, was granted a two-week leave of absence after Easter. His trip included Chicago, where he officiated at the marriage of his son.

Peripatetic Parsons

THE REV. FORDYCE E. EASTBURN will attend the Yale Summer School of Alcohol Studies in New Haven, Conn., from June 28th to July 23rd. Before returning to his parish in San Carlos, the Rev. Mr. Eastburn and his bride, the former Lelia Berkeley, will visit with her family in Virginia.

THE REV. LESLEY WILDER, JR., is planning his first trip to Europe this summer. He will be gone two months, during which time he expects to visit England and the Continent.

THE REV. CANON KENNETH E. NELSON was chosen as a delegate from the San Francisco Chapter of the American Association of Social Workers to attend the annual Delegates Assembly of the Association in Cleveland, Ohio, from May 29th to May 31st. While in Cleveland, he will also attend the meeting of the National Federation of Settlements and Neighborhood Centers, representing the Good Samaritan Community Center; and the Church Conference of Social Work, sponsored by the National Council of Churches of Christ in America, which follows the Assembly from May 31st to June 5th.

THE REV. EDWARD M. PENNELL, JR., rector of St. Francis', San Francisco, will go East in June to receive an honorary doctorate from his *alma mater*, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, Evanston, Ill. He received his Bachelor's degree in 1933 from Western Theological Seminary, which merged with Seabury Divinity School, Faribault, Minn., in that year.

Noted Theologian at School of the Prophets

The Rev. Frederick Clifton Grant, professor of New Testament at Union Theological Seminary, New York, and former Dean of Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, Evanston, Ill., will be the leader of a session at the School of the Prophets from June 15th to 19th. Dr. Grant, the author or translator of many books in the field of New Testament, is one of the editors of the new Interpreters Bible and one of the group of scholars who produced the Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

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years she was chairman of Trinity's annual bazaar, and for the past two years was a member of the parish vestry.

From 1924 to 1952 Miss Collier was an executive and an active member of the San Francisco Community Chest. Starting as treasurer of the newly-founded Garden Hospital (then known as the Home for Incurables), she later became its president, holding that position for many years till in 1952 she was elected president of the Board. For fifteen years, Miss Collier was treasurer of the Girls' Friendly Lodge in San Francisco, only giving up that position when the Lodge itself was discontinued.

During World War I Miss Collier served as assistant to the Chaplain at the Presidio of Monterey, holding the rank of Lieutenant in the United States Army at that post. Also during those years, under the War Camp Community Service, she organized, with Miss Laura McKinstry, weekly dances for the enlisted Servicemen at the Palace Hotel, in cooperation with the National League for Women's Service, of which she was a charter member.

To carry on her good works, Miss Collier willed, as a permanent rectory for Trinity Church, the home at 150 Jordan Avenue, now occupied by the Rev. Leighton Howard Nugent and his family. Despite her many activities, Sarah Collier always found time to give counsel and advice to those who sought her help. With a great love in her heart for humanity, she

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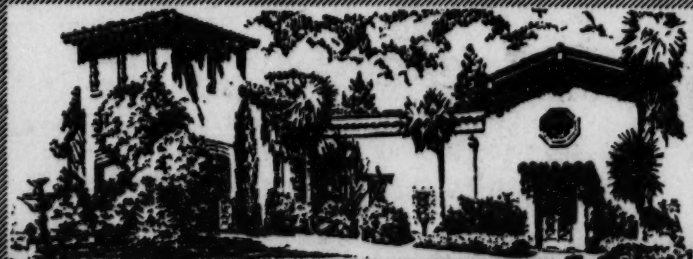
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